



ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB APRIL 2019 NEWSLETTER

MEMBER INFORMATION

Here it is the April newsletter! Hope the snow will be finished and that the warmer weather will be just around the corner. Think Spring!!

Indoor training will continue on Wednesday and all day Thursday. We urge members to take advantage of what our club is offering and at a reasonable cost of \$8.00 per class.

As a reminder, the Advanced Beginner Novice Class starts at 5:45pm, the Novice Class starts at 6:30pm and the Show Ready Novice class starts at 7:30pm. These are the classes on Wednesday nights.

Times change on meeting nights, the second Wednesday of the month, and are as follows.... Advanced Beginner Novice Class starts at 5:30pm, the Novice Class starts at 6:15pm and the Show Ready Novice class starts after the meeting.

Thursday classes include Novice as well as Open and Utility in the morning. Please check the website for times. We offer Rally classes, as well as Open at 6:00 and Utility at 7:00 on Thursday evening. Check the website to see which Rally classes Linda will be offering and the times.

The Macungie Park Building is not available for training the week of April 8th. Weather permitting we will train outdoors. Watch for times changes on the website and by email.

Our next General Meeting will be on April 10th. at 7:30 We can use the downstairs for the meeting. All dogs must remain the cars, as no dogs are allowed downstairs.

We will be moving to outdoor training on May 1st. There will be changes in class times. Check the website and emails for further information on training.

Don't forget our second match which will be on April 27. Entries will be taken on DOGMATCH SHOW.com. You pick your time and as many runs as you would like. It is recommended to do at least two runs with four or five other runs in between. Remember this is a great time to work on problems you and your dog may have under ring conditions. Or just take the time to play and have fun in the ring. And even better, it is in a different place then the building in Macungie. It is a way to get your dog used to working in different places. And a good time to see where you and your dog are at in your training as our trial is coming up and we are offering not only obedience but also Rally.

Don't forget our point show is coming up on May 18th at K9Jym at Colmar. We will need volunteers to help with stewarding and set ups. Lois Linker has things in order but will need members to help. We are hoping to attract more entries by moving indoors and no longer dependent on good weather. If you have any questions, please contact Lois for more information.

Krista Stayer is still looking for items for her raffle baskets which help defray some of the cost of putting on our point show. Krista is asking members to please bring toys and treats to the April meeting for the May point show baskets. Here is a list of items which are nice, such as wine, candy, dog supplies, also other pet supplies among other things. She can also use cash to buy items for the baskets. The baskets are an important fund raiser for our club.

A wish list was included in the March newsletter. In case you did not see it, we are listing it again.

RAFFLE BASKETS WISH LIST

Thank you to all who have donated in the past. We are collecting items for the May 18th show at K9 Learning Center in Colmar. Because we are hoping to draw a larger crowd from a more diverse area, we would really like these to shine. Below is a list of items that we would like to include. Please remember, all donations should be new, unused items. If you are donating treats, please check expiration dates.

Pretty much anything dog (treats, toys, beds, grooming products, etc....)

Cash (This would help buy supplemental items like filler, ribbon, wrap and items to complete baskets in a way that makes them cohesive in theme.)

Gift Cards (\$10 or larger) to restaurants, pet stores, Visa or Master Card

Wine/Beer

Candy

Supplies for other types of pets. Nothing says we can't do a cat, bird or fish basket too

Give items to Krista Stayer. She is usually at training on Wednesday nights. You may also leave items in the storage area to the left of the entryway or text her at 484-358-5264 to let her know they are there.



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2019 AWARDS BANQUET

We hope that all have sent in their reservations for the Annual ADTC Awards Banquet on Friday, April 12 at the Brass Rail on Lehigh Street in Allentown. Appetizer trays will start at 6:00 and there is a cash bar. What a great way for members both old and new to get to know each other. It is a time to congratulate and honor the award winners for all their hard work throughout 2018. And do not to forget about the great food and fellowship! We hope to see you there.

**2019
Awards
Banquet**

April 12, 2019

6:00 pm Appetizers

6:30 pm Dinner

LOCATION:

Brass Rail
Lehigh Street
Allentown



Family Style Dinner

Appetizer Trays

Soup / Salad / Rolls

Pot Roast / Fried Crab Patties

Dutchess Potatoes / Gravy

Creamed Cabbage / Vegetable Medley

Dessert

Soda / Coffee / Tea

Cash Bar

\$25.00 per person

RESERVATIONS DUE BY: MARCH 30, 2019

Checks payable to: ADTC, Inc. TO: Sue Iobst, 5162 S. Mountain Dr., Emmaus, PA 18049



Name: _____

Address _____

Phone # _____

Attending _____



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need volunteers to help at our Match Show on April 27 and our Trial on May 18. We will need stewards and also help setting up the rings and tearing them down. Please consider stewarding, even if you are entering. You can steward after you are finished in the ring or even before. There was information on stewarding in the October newsletter. Hope you have a copy.



**Save the Date-- Allentown Dog Training Club's 52nd
Annual AKC Obedience and 15th Annual AKC Rally Trial**

Open to pure and mixed breed dogs

When: [Saturday, May 18, 2019](#)

Where: [K9JM 252 Bethlehem Pike, Colmar, PA 18915](#)

Entries Open March 18, 2019 at 8AM

All entries must be received by May 1, 2019 at 6PM

More detailed information, premiums, and entry forms available on

www.showentries.info

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*** WHO IS NEW***

There are no new members to welcome to the club for March.



TRAINING INFORMATION

As mentioned earlier, we are holding another match show on April 27. Lois and Link Linker have graciously offered their training building in Slatington for our use at no charge. Entries are made through DogMatchShow.com. You pick your times. Directions to their building will be on Dog Match Show. This is a great opportunity to prepare for our point show on May 18 which will be indoors at Colmar, K9Jym. Be sure to attend our April meeting on the 10th for more information.

Training will continue indoors until May 1st. There are changes for the upcoming summer classes. More information will be listed on the website and via email as it becomes available.

There are also several point shows that are fairly local besides ours. The week before ours is the Philadelphia Dog Training Club on May 11. Unfortunately they are not offering Rally. Sunday after our show on May 19 Berks County Dog Training Club has their point show in Leesport at the 4H Building. You can find information on entering and premium lists at Info Dog.com. These are indoor trials. Berks does offer Rally. The Bucks Country KC holds their big trials at Tinicum Park in Erwinia along the Delaware, May 4 and 5. They offer both obedience and rally. It is an outdoor show. Here is hoping that with these opportunities some of our members can complete their titles. You can also check INFO DOG for more information on additional trials that will be coming up in the next few months. Be sure to look in New Jersey and New York as well.

TRAINING PARTY AND MINI SEMINAR

The training party was very well attended on March 20 as well as very informative. There were 26 members who attended with their dogs and had a great time learning about playing in the ring, learning what judges are looking for, and learning about ways to teach your dog various exercises. A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU TO JOANNE SUMMERS WHO ORGANIZED THIS EVENT AND OUR INSTRUCTORS DUSTY SPRINGER, ANNA GUGLIELMO, AND PHYLLIS BRODERICK. We are so lucky to have as our members, great instructors as well as several members who are AKC judges in both obedience and rally.

Thank You Note to those who attended.....

Good Morning Everyone,

Phyllis, Anna, Dusty and I wish to thank all of you who attended ADTC first Annual Training Party. The turn out was fantastic. There were 26 members with about 24 dogs. You were great sports to get up on a crowded floor and work with us with such enthusiasm.

As Phyllis, Anna, Dusty, and I said, there was so much that came out of Betsy and Linda's seminar, it was hard to decide what to present to you in the time we had. I hope you had as much fun as your Instructors did.

Have a Tail Wagging Day,
Joanne

Phyllis has also been in touch with Betsy Scapicchio and Linda Brennan about having another seminar in November. It will be a two day seminar as was the one last year. They will be focusing on Novice the first day and then the second day on Open and Utility. She is hoping to have it around the same time as the one last year. This will be their newest seminar which is more playing with your dog and things that you can do when in the ring as well as training ideas. Linda Kraseley, Joanne Summers and Jacqui Hartranft had attended a one day seminar in February at Top Dog on these topics. We urge everyone to be on the lookout for dates and mark their calendars when the dates are announced.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Barb Grotzinger and her standard poodle, Clyde, earned their AKC Utility Dog Title at the Morris Hills Trial on February 24. Barb and Clyde were also named to the United Kennel Club's 2018 ALL STAR list of the TOP 50 NOVICE DOGS. Barb and Clyde are NUMBER 28 IN THE COUNTRY. CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU BOTH ON SUCH GREAT ACHIEVEMENTS.

Jacqui Hartranft and Labrador Retriever, Abbey, were also named to the United Kennel Club's 2018 ALL STAR list of the TOP 50 NOVICE DOGS IN THE COUNTRY. Jacqui and Abbey are NUMBER 11 IN THE COUNTRY. CONGRATULATIONS ON A GREAT ACHIEVEMENT.



Abbey with her Title Ribbons



Bedell Koch reported that Tazio earned his first Agility Title... UKC Level 1 at Dandy Dog Training Center in Newville, Pa. This is the first UKC Agility Title I have ever had one of my dogs earn. It's always nice to try new things. CONGRATULATIONS!



Judy Skorup reported that Emma with Judge Sylvia Brownlee received her RAE Title at the Wilmington Kennel Club in Delaware. She earned 100/100 in her Advanced Rally Class, giving her a 3rd place rosette along with her qualifying and new title ribbons! CONGRATULATIONS! Oneida's May Whine CD BN RE FDC CAA THDA CGCA CGCU TKI



Jackie Mill forgot to report in last month's newsletter that she and Gizmo also earned their first leg in Rally Novice at the Sand and Sea KC trial in January. They also earned a second Rally Novice leg at the Canine Learning Experience in February.

Congratulations to club members and their canine partners Sandy Cornog and Amelia; Jodi Delabar and Nestle; and Ann Solt and Cairo for passing the CGC test on February 28.

In addition, Sandy Cornog and Amelia; Jodi Delabar and Nestle; Ann Solt and Cairo, Donna Barto and Chip; and Jane Gill and Beamer acquired their Novice Tricks Dog titles. Jackie Mill and Gizmo earned an Advanced Trick Dog title.

Link reported the following “Casey Brags”....

Rally:

Feb. 2 at Lehigh Valley KC Rally Trial he got his 1st leg in Rally Advanced with a 95.

Conformation:

March 13 at York KC he was Select Dog, Best Of Breed Owner-Handled, and Owner-Handled Group 2

March 14 at Lancaster KC he was Select Dog, Best Of Breed Owner-Handled and Owner-Handled Group 2

March 15 at York KC he was Select Dog and Best Of Breed Owner-Handled

Agility:

March 31 at Afghan Hound Club of Northern NJ he qualified in Novice Standard for his Novice Standard (NA) title



CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL

As a reminder: We do not always know when members have achieved anything with their dogs. The ones listed were from local shows or people that we knew were getting titles and awards, etc. If you were missed, it is because we were unaware of your achievement. So please let us know so we can list it here. It is your newsletter.

WHAT IS THIS—MATCH SHOWS

This is a repeat of a prior article from the November 2018 Newsletter. As much as we hate to repeat things, we feel that some of our newer members will benefit from either reading it again or did not read it before. Quite a few of our new members are entering trials and have volunteered to steward and with our upcoming point show, so we felt this would be a good time to repeat this information.

What are match shows? How are they different from regular point shows? Our club just sponsored a match show in the beginning of September which unfortunately, it rained that day. It also is a nice money maker for us. Other clubs also use them as fund raisers and it is a great help for those training our dogs to show in obedience and rally in different places. Match shows are a great way to introduce and also train your dog in a show environment without the stress of being judged unless you want to be. Many clubs offer them and there are quite a few within a reasonable driving distance. Usually the runs are timed and you can sign up for as many as you would like in novice, open and utility. If you have a special need for instance, beginner novice, just ask the “judge” and stewards in the novice ring and they will do whatever you wish. You can ask to be “judged” but people use matches to work on a specific thing or just do run thru’s to see where they are in their training or to show the dog the ring can be fun. Many people will do some exercises and then spend time in the ring just playing. Usually your run is timed and most clubs give Novice members about 7 minutes in the ring, Open 9 minutes and Utility 11 minutes. Rally does the same thing but unfortunately very few clubs offer rally at their matches, mainly because of the space which is required. However, you can use your time in the ring to do rally exercises and give your dog ring experience. ADTC is one of the few clubs offering Rally at a match show because we are outside and have the space. It is a great way to watch other trainers work their dogs while you are waiting for your run time to start. Most people enter at least two times and some more. One should allow several other runs in between before starting their second run.

You need to pre enter most matches because most of the matches are inside and do fill, some quite fast. DOG MATCH SHOWS.COM is a great place to find matches and also enter. The cost is usually \$10 per run plus a small fee for credit card services. You can also find them on INFO DOG but cannot enter through them. You would have to contact the club directly to enter unless they are also listed on DOG MATCH SHOWS.COM.

I am going to list a few of my favorite match shows. Most are in a reasonable drive. I drive anywhere from 40 minutes to Colmar to about an hour and 20 minutes to Dauphin Dog Training Club near Hershey. Colmar has one every other month and it is listed on Dog Match shows. I would recommend getting your entry in early as it is well run with lots of room for crating. Suburban Dog Training Club near Wynnewood is also a nice match. Both Dauphin DTC and TOP Dog Obedience School have matches in their own buildings. There are other clubs who run match shows but you need to check Dog Match Show.com to see if there are any you would be interested in. Some clubs run match shows every month. Some clubs may rent the K9Jym at Colmar to run match shows. Keystone Labrador Retriever Club is one who usually has a match in March and they do have a Rally ring. Check out DOG MATCH SHOWS to enter and you may find others then that I listed here that you may be interested in. If you want to travel a bit further

Tri-State Dog Training Club holds match shows on a regular basis. Check their website or Dog Match Shows for directions.

I hope that this has given you more information on a ways to prepare to enter your dog and yourself to go into the ring. Or to just have fun and see where you are in your training for very little cost. If you have any questions be sure to talk to one of our trainers. You buy the time and it is yours to do as you wish with it.

NATIONAL OBEDIENCE AND RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP IN TULSA, OKLAHOMA

This event was held on March 15, 16 and 17. Rally was held on Friday, March 15, with obedience held Saturday and Sunday. Linda Krasley and I had gone last year when it was held in Wilmington, Ohio and we had a great time. Next year it will be back to Wilmington at the Roberts Center and the date has been moved to the last weekend in June as it was in 2018. It is much better weather for those traveling a distance. It is a great place to have an important event like that and everything is right there.

It is an invitational event but for Rally and several of our members were invited but did not go as it was a two day drive. You need scores of 93 or higher to be eligible and everything in Rally is offered from Novice on up to the Championship class. So think about it for next year as it is only a day's drive and you will have a great time meeting people and their dogs from all over. I wrote an article in the October 2018 newsletter on what Linda and I did there last June. You can check out the requirements on the AKC web site as well as watch some of the rings on YouTube from this year and last year.

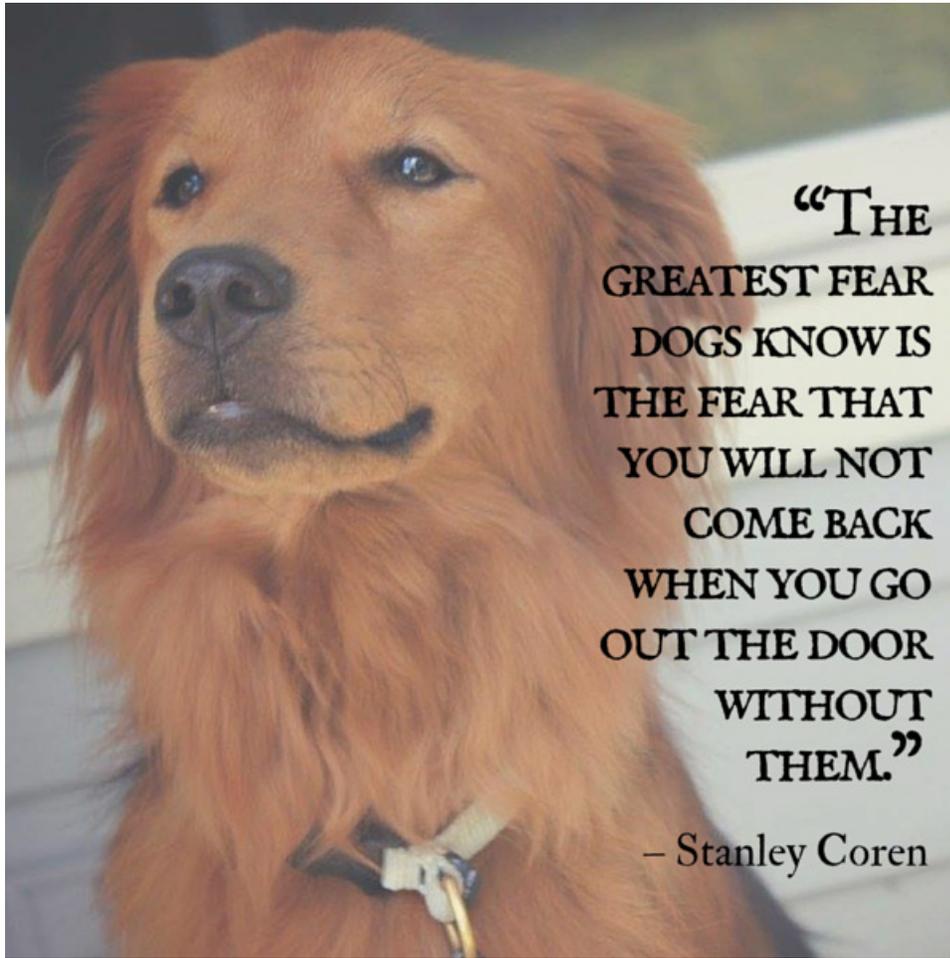
MY DOG DID THAT IN THE RING

My embarrassing moment came in the Open Ring with Georgia at the 2008 Bulldog Nationals in Reading. Most of the bulldog owners there were entered in conformation. This made the handful of us doing Rally and Obedience a bit of a novelty. We did draw a nice crowd to watch what it was all about and those watching were definitely entertained with Georgia!

Let me start by saying Georgia was all about the food! This made training her easy but harder for me for an entire ring performance. She was positive there had to be treats coming because of the enthusiastic crowd that was cheering us on. The memory that I will never forget and also cherish most fondly is....We were lined up for the Figure 8 exercise. Judge said forward and we were off and doing well. Halt in the middle was perfect. Judge said forward again and we continue to do the Figure 8. I heard some talking from the crowd and saw some pointing. I realized then that Georgia was not with me. I turned to see where she was and I could not believe what I was seeing. One of the women stewards was wearing a skirt....and Georgia, never seeing a skirt before, had her head up under the skirt positive that was where the treats were hiding. I told her to heel again and she came and sat perfectly. She was so pleased with herself for checking on the treat situation! I was a nice shade of red! We went on to a NQ in other ways that day but that did not matter to me. She was a crowd favorite and that is what makes this memory so special to me.

Later that afternoon, we did qualify in Rally Advanced!!!! Submitted by Debbie Achenzie

FOOD FOR THOUGHT



**“THE
GREATEST FEAR
DOGS KNOW IS
THE FEAR THAT
YOU WILL NOT
COME BACK
WHEN YOU GO
OUT THE DOOR
WITHOUT
THEM.”**

– Stanley Coren



**Happy
Easter**

A colorful beach ball with segments in red, yellow, blue, and white, positioned to the right of the word "Happy".